The number of films which were refused certification during the last three years and those in which cuts were given are as under:

Year	No. of films refused certification	No. of films certified with cuts
2005	18	473
2006	59	453
2007	11	395

(c) Does not arise.

Communal material in **Bal Bharti**

3951. SHRI ALI ANWAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
be pleased to state:

whether it is a fact that the publication division is publishing a magazine titled Bal Bharti to create scientific awareness among children;

whether it is also a fact that contrary to the declared objectives, an attempt was made to arouse communal sentiments by publishing communal material in some of the issues in the year 2004;

if so, whether Government would conduct any inquiry to identify the persons responsible and the action to be taken against them; and

whether Government proposes to evolve any mechanism for evaluation of magazines for children?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI):(a)Yes,Sir.

No, Sir. No material published in Bal Bharati in the year 2004 had any content aimed to arouse communal sentiments.

Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Publications Division publishes only one magazine for children *i.e.,* Bal Bharati. Contents of this magazine are selected and supervised by the senior editorial officers of the Division. Due care is taken to ensure that the contents are within the framework of cherished national objectives and values such as social harmony, national integration, shared legacy of art, culture, history and heritage, protection of environment and over all, promotion of goodwill towards all.

Code of conduct for TV programmes

3952. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:
SHRI DARA SINGH:
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

whether Government proposes to draft a code of conduct for telecasting various TV. serials and other programmes;

if so, the details thereof;

whether Government has set up a Committee in this regard;

if so, the details of recommendations made by the said Committee and the action taken by the Government thereon till date; and

the steps taken by Government to check the telecasting of "A" certificate films/ serials and vulgar advertisements on television by various channels till date?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (e) The Government had constituted a Committee for reviewing Programme and Advertising Codes prescribed under the Cable TV Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 and rules framed thereunder. The report of the Committee on the Content Code has been submitted to the Government on 5.3.2008 and is available on the website of this Ministry *www.mib.nic.in*. under the heading 'Codes and Guidelines' and under the subheading "Self Regulation Guidelines for the Broadcasting Sector (2008)". Further discussion with stakeholders are continuing.

The Government have also constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) under Section 20 of the Cable TV Networks Regulation Act, 1995 to look into the violation of Programme and Advertising Codes prescribed under the Act and Rules framed thereunder. The Committee either *suo-motu* or on receipt of complaints, examines cases of violation of codes. Show cause Notices are issued in the first instance to TV channels for telecasting objectionable programmes/advertisements in violation of Codes. Further action is taken as per rules. Orders have also been issued for constitution of Monitoring Committees at the State and District levels to monitor private satellite TV Channels and local cable channels to detect and look into violations of Programme and Advertising Codes and complaints received from general public regarding violation of the codes. A copy of the relevant order is available on the website of this Ministry *www.mib.nic.in*.

Magazines published by Ministries/Departments

† 3953. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

the names of the magazines published in Hindi and English from different Ministries and Departments except the Publication Department alongwith the circulation and the prices thereof;

whether it is a fact that out of the said magazines several magazines like Rajbhasha Bharti Bhagirath are those magazines which are not published in time and are running in loss; and

the steps to be taken to stop publication of those magazines which are running in loss for years in order to avoid misuse of Government funds and to improve its condition?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (c) The details of magazines published in Hindi and English registered with Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) by various Ministries/Departments except Publications Division under Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is enclosed as Statement *(See* below). Under the Press and Registration of Books Act 1867, RNI only registers the titles of various periodicals. It does not monitor their performance.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi